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b. Eighth Guards Army.

Hq 13th AAA Div	WEIMAR	8 October	25X1
18th (?) Army AT Arty Brig	ALTENBURG	August	
19th Gds Engr Bn	WEIMAR-BUCHEN- WALD	8 October	
1st Sig Regt (US)	WEIMAR	5 October	
Hq XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps	RUDDOLSTADT	9 October	
An Arty Brig of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps	GERA	7 October	
197th AAA Regt (US)	RUDDOLSTADT	9 October	
13d Sig Bn (US)	RUDDOLSTADT	4 October	
15th Gds Tank SP Regt	CHERDITZ	3 October	
15th Gds Engr Bn	CHERDITZ (?)	7 October	
Hq 20th Gds Mecz Div	JENA	5 October	
15th Gds Mecz Regt	WEIMAR	5 October	
16th Gds Mecz Regt	JENA	7 October	
17th Gds Mecz Regt	ZEITZ	7 October	
16th (?) Tank Regt (US)	ZEITZ	8 October	
18th Gds Hv Tank SP Regt	JENA	7 October	
172d Gds How Arty Regt	JENA	7 October	
181st Mort Regt (US)	WEIMAR	7 October	
2504th Gds AAA Regt (US)	JENA	9 October	
14th Gds RL Bn (US)	JENA	7 October	
13th Gds Engr Bn	JENA	5 October	
15th Tank Tny Bn (US)	JENA	11 July	
An Arty Brig of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps	MERSEBURG	9 October	
196th AAA Regt (US)	HAUBURG	1 October	
Hq 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div	HAUBURG	4 October	
17th Gds Tank SP Regt	WEISSENFELS	8 October	
232d AAA Bn (US)	HAUBURG (?)	4 October	
Hq 21st Gds Mecz Div	HAUBURG	1 October	
68th Gds Mecz Regt	HAUBURG	7 October	
69th Gds Mecz Regt	HAUBURG (?)	2 October	
70th Gds Mecz Regt	HAUBURG	8 October	
28th Gds AAA Regt (US)	HAUBURG	8 October	
2505th Gds AAA Regt (US)	HAUBURG	10 October	

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c. Third Shock Army.

44th (?) Army Arty Brig

ALLENBERGER,
BURG-ACHENBURG

June

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Hq LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps

STENDAL

October

Hq 207th Itz Rifle Div

STENDAL

October

Hq 17th Gds Mecz Div

WANDENBURG (?)

September

61th Gds Mecz Regt

WANDENBURG

25 September

As Engr In of the 19th
Gds Mecz Div

HILLERSCHEIDT

14 October

Hq IX Itz Rifle Corps

SCHERER

7 October

d. First Guards Mechanized Army.

95th Tank Regt

REISSEN

17 June

103th Tank Regt

RIESA

14 June

e. Second Guards Mechanized Army.

Army Hq

FURSTENBERG

14 October

31st AAA Div

SCHNEIDER

14 October

2d Light Arty Brig (US)

DOLBERG

8 October

Hq 1st Mecz Div

DOLBERG

15 October

35th Mecz Regt

DOLBERG

27 July

219th Tank Regt

DOLBERG

11 August

f. Third Guards Mechanized Army.

91st Gds RL Regt

WICKENWALDE

28 September

531 Gds Tank Regt

WICKENWALDE

August

Hq 7th Gds Tank Div

WICKENWALDE

8 October

Hq 9th Mecz Div

WICKENWALDE

8 October

g. Fourth Guards Mechanized Army.

312th Gds RL Regt

WICKENWALDE

30 July

35th Gds Mecz Regt

WICKENWALDE

30 September

521 Gds RL Bn

WICKENWALDE

30 September

224 Gds Engr Bn

WICKENWALDE

29 September

34th Tank Eng Bn

WICKENWALDE

31 September

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Hq 7th Sds Recz Div	[REDACTED]	FURSTENFELDEN	8 October	25X1
A Sds How Arty Regt of the 7th Sds Recz Div	[REDACTED]	FRANKFURT/ODER	27 August	
162d Tank Regt	[REDACTED]	ORANIENTHUR	8 October	
83d Sds Hvy Tank SP Regt	[REDACTED]	FRANZLAU	10 October	
A Tank Tng Bn of the 25th Tank Div	[REDACTED]	ORANIENTHUR	30 September	
81st Sds Hvy Tank SP Regt	[REDACTED]	KRAMPHITZ	20 October	
29th Sds Itz Rifle Regt	[REDACTED]	KRAMPHITZ	6 October	
359th Sds AAA Regt	[REDACTED]	KRAMPHITZ	7 October	
7th Sds Mtrcl Bn	[REDACTED]	KRAMPHITZ	8 October	
248th Sds RL Bn	[REDACTED]	KRAMPHITZ	20 October	
131st Sds Engr Bn	[REDACTED]	KRAMPHITZ	4 October	

Change of Quarters.

3. The following changes regarding stations have been discernible after the troops had returned from the troop training grounds:

- a. In POTSDAM, the Ludendorff Kaserne and Hohenlohe Kaserne, adjoining the Dolius Kaserne to the south was newly occupied by elements of the 34th Arty Div (US). The elements concerned possibly are components of the gun artillery brigade of the division which have hitherto been quartered in the southern section of the Dolius Kaserne.
- b. The 33d Tank Regt (US) in the billeting area of the 19th Recz Div can now be fairly definitely carried in the Fliegerhorst Kaserne, PLESEN, where, according to vague indications, it had already been stationed during the winter of 1951/1952.
- c. An AAA unit was determined in the enlarged former German paratroopers' camp in STENDAL along the road to FORSTEL, north of the Tauentzien Kaserne, at the beginning of October 1952. The 953d AAA Bn (US) of the 207th Itz Rifle Div was presumably transferred from TANGELNENDE to STENDAL.
- d. After the maneuvers of the Third Shock Army, seven troop trains were dispatched to QUEDLINBURG from the railroad stations of GARDISSEN, STENDAL and JAEVENITZ during the period from 3 to 5 October 1952. QUEDLINBURG Fliegerhorst was occupied by 3,000 to 4,000 troops with tanks on 17 October. The unit had arrived there a short time before. 25X1
[REDACTED] they probably belong to the Third Shock Army, presumably the 19th Sds Recz Div. Coincident with this new occupation, the barracks installation in BLANKENBURG was reconditioned, and it therefore appears possible that the area farther to the southwest may be made part of the billeting area of the 19th Sds Recz Div.
- e. Unconfirmed reports of late October 1952 tend to indicate that the 25th Bn of the IV Arty Corps moved from PLESEN to the Kraftfahrer Kaserne in Rathenow and that the 10th How Arty Bn (US) of the 6th Arty Div previously stationed in this installation possibly moved from RATHENOW to ALTENHAGEN.

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Departure from the Troop Training Grounds.

4. The movement by road and rail from the troop training grounds to the areas of fall maneuvers and/or military posts, which began in mid-September 1952, continued until the second half of October. Some units used this movement to conduct small local field exercises in areas adjacent to the kasernes. For instance, components of the 7th Gds Mecz Div joined by the 131st Gds Ingr Bn of the 10th Gds Tank Div from KRAMPNITZ held an exercise in the area southwest of FURSTENTHALDE from 8 to 10 October 1952, while components of the 6th Gds Mecz Div practiced in the GROSS SCHOENEBECK area in late September 1952. The majority of the units had left the troop training grounds by mid-October 1952. Following the pattern observed in 1951, only individual tank and artillery units engaged in short-term firing practice with live ammunition at the individual troop training grounds during the second half of October. For detailed information on the departure of troops, see Annex.

Fall Maneuvers.

5. During the period from mid-September until mid-October 1952, all military efforts in East Germany were concentrated on the coming fall maneuvers in which, as far as could be determined, all units of the GDR were more or less involved. Maneuvers conducted in the second half of September were previously discussed. The following summary on the entire fall maneuvers is based on supplementary as well as new information obtained prior to 12 November 1952.

a. Eighth Gds Army.

The departure of units of the Eighth Gds Army from the three troop training grounds in Thuringia to the DESSAU area on either side of the Elbe River began on 5 October. Fifty-six troop trains were observed participating in this movement. Large contingents simultaneously left the troop training grounds and marched by road toward DESSAU. Reports on transportation, which covered the entire movement, clearly indicated that the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps moved to the area in and south of WILHELMSTADT while the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps which had been reinforced by units of the 13th AAA Div moved to the area south of DESSAU. Elements of the IV Arty Corps, namely the 25th RL Brig from BRENNITZ, the 10th How Arty Brig (US) from RATHENOW and the 124th Hv How Arty Brig (US) from BRANDENBURG as well as elements of the 34th Arty Div (US) including some which came from LETZLING HEATH on completion of the Third Shock Army fall maneuvers and others which came from ALTENGRABOW also moved to the area of DESSAU, probably to join the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps. The 630th Ingr Bn of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps which had moved from GRENDEL to the TITTEL area in June 1952 also rejoined its corps in the area of WILHELMSTADT. These movements continued until 10 October. The following discussion on the course of the maneuver is based on numerous individual reports [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] Units of the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps occupied the north bank of the Elbe River in the area between, possibly northwest of, DESSAU and AKEN. Some elements presumably established a bridgehead on the south bank of the Elbe River in the wooded area west of DESSAU. The reinforced XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps represented the aggressor, and assembled for an attack toward north from the KOTTEN-RAGUN-ITTENHOLD assembly area. It subsequently crossed the Elbe River, constructing a total of five bridges. As the attack developed northward, all components of the corps probably crossed the river to reach the area on either side of the BARRY-BELZIG railroad line at the end of the problem on the evening of 15 October. Most of the information used in analysing the maneuver was confirmed later and indicated the departure of all units of the Eighth Gds Army and IV Arty Corps from railroad stations along the railroad line mentioned and farther north. The return movement began on the morning of 16 October and was concluded on 20 October. A total of 131 troop trains were used. The elements of the IV Arty Corps returned on 21 trains, including 11 to the

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RATHENOW area and 10 to POTSDAM. [] the LXVIII Gds Itz Rifle Corps was entrained in the ALTENHAROW-ZIESAR-RUCKAU area, the XLIX Gds Itz Rifle Corps, including army troops, in the ZIESARBURG-BELZIG area; and the IV Arty Corps in the ALTENHAROW-ZIESAR-LOBURG-MAGDEBURG area.

b. Third Shock Army.

The maneuvers of elements of the Third Shock Army held from 22 to 28 September 1952 can be analysed more completely on the basis of recent information and the analysis indicates that elements of the IX Itz Rifle Corps arrived on 17 trains in the maneuver area from the WITTSOCK troop training grounds and from the posts of the two divisions of the corps during the period from 19 to 21 September. Other components of the corps arrived in the maneuver area by road at the same time. Almost all units of the LXXIX Itz Rifle Corps are believed to have reached the training area by road. Units of the 6th Arty Div and army artillery units of the Third Shock Army arrived from ALTENHAROW on 20 trains, while units of the 34th Arty Div (US) arrived from POTSDAM on 8 trains. All unloadings were made at railroad stations along the northern edge of the LETZLING HEATH. The vehicular elements of the IX Itz Rifle Corps also entered the northern sector of the LETZLING HEATH via GARDELSEN. The maneuver area appeared to have encompassed the entire area of the LETZLING HEATH and the eastward terrain as far as the Elbe River. []

[] all indications are that the problem was to contain aggressor forces advancing from the west at the Elbe River. As no troops were observed crossing the river, the maneuver must have terminated on the west side of the Elbe River on 28 September. Contrary to a previous assumption that exercises involving exclusively combat groups were conducted, it now appears that the exercise was a maneuver which also involved supporting troops, similar to that held by the Eighth Gds Army in the DESSAU area. The return movement from 29 September until 4 October involved exclusively railroad stations on the HANNOVER-STENDAL and STENDAL-GARDELSEN railroad lines. The units not returning by road used about the same number of cars they had required when going to the maneuver area.

c. First Gds Mecz Army.

Although no reports confirming a field exercise in the KETZSCH-GROSSENHAIN area by elements of the First Gds Mecz Army which possibly started on about 20 September 1952 were obtained during the period of observation, there is reason to believe that, prior to its return to the posts from the KORNISBRUCK and ZETTHAIN troop training grounds after 10 October, the army conducted a large maneuver at the end of September and the beginning of October 1952.

d. Second Gds Mecz Army.

In addition to the three field exercises of units of the Second Gds Mecz Army in the area north of RATHENOW and DOBERITZ during the period between 16 and 26 September 1952, which were mentioned previously, elements of the 9th Gds Tank Div appear to have been assembled for another exercise in the MYRITZ area in late September, as four troop trains, the unloading of which was confirmed, were dispatched for NEURANDLEBURG from this area on 26 and 27 September. On 30 September, units of the 12th Gds Tank Div presumably left for other exercises in the area southwest of NEURUPPEN.

e. Third Gds Mecz Army.

The assumption that elements of the 7th Gds Tank Div from LETZLING HEATH participated in the fall maneuvers which were held in conjunction with army troops of the Third Gds Mecz Army in the area of TANGERSBACH-SEITHEN during the period from 17 to 21 September was confirmed []

[] They indicated that 18 troop trains went from TANGERSBACH, SEITHEN and MYRITZ to ROSSLAU during the period from 17 to 24 September. Other elements of the division simultaneously returned to their military posts on 13 troop trains from railroad stations on the south edge of

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RETAINING HEATH. Unconfirmed information indicated that, prior to departing to their posts, elements of the 9th Mecz Div conducted an exercise in the area of the STISSWAGGER troop training grounds on 4 and 5 October 1952. This exercise was said to have covered the area as far as the Neisse River and to have involved an engineer unit which crossed the river southeast of MUSKAU. The 6th Gds Tank Div returned from the MARD M-MAKEDDORF troop training grounds to WITTENBERG between 1 and 6 October 1952, apparently without having participated in final exercises.

f. Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

The exercise which was held in the area south and east of RATHENOW by units of the 6th Gds Mecz Div reinforced by army troops of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army during the period from 22 to 25 September 1952 was followed by another exercise which was held in the same area during the period from 5 to 8 October by elements of the 25th Tank Div and army troops. The troops came from the TELPIN troop training grounds during the period from 2 to 5 October and were transported as far as the area of KALLEN from where they went to the training area by road. This exercise, too, was conducted in an east-west direction and involved the building of a bridge across the Havel River near PUSTERN. After the end of the exercise, the troops returned to their posts in ORANIEBURG, PRANZLAU and SPERSWALDE. The army's 11th Gds AT Arty Bn went from the TELPIN troop training grounds to its new post in PRANZLAU only during the period from 20 to 24 October 1952.

Personnel.

6. The arrival in East Germany of recruits from the U.S.S.R. which began in mid-September continued during the period under review. The recruits arrived via the border crossing points of KUESTERN and GUTEN. The 20 trains of boxcars used for this movement

most of the trains went to distribution points in the various army areas from where they were shipped to the individual posts. A total of 46 arriving trains was identified during the period from 15 September to 1 November. Most of these trains were confirmed. An additional 15 trains which could not be determined were believed to have participated. Although these other trains were reported en route toward east at intervals of from 6 to 8 days, they could not be identified during their return trip toward west. Accordingly, it is possible that about 61 trains may have arrived in East Germany prior to 1 November. Fifty percent of these may have crossed the border via KUESTERN and 50 percent via GUTEN. As there are about 1,200 soldiers to a train, the total number of recruits would be about 73,000. This figure approximately corresponds to that of the fall of 1951. The discharge of soldiers, most of whom are fairly definitely believed to belong to the 1929 class including some of the 1928 class, began in mid-October. A total of 20 trains was observed during the period from that date until 1 November. With an average of 1,200 soldiers per train, this would total 24,000 soldiers. The shuttle trains which carried the recruits to East Germany were used to transport the discharges. As of 12 November, the movement was still in progress.

Transportation.

7. During the period from 1 October to 1 November, the traffic situation of East German railroads was rather critical. On some days the backlog of undischarged cars totalled 2,500. This situation was caused by heavy demands on transportation space by the Russians in connection with troop movements to and from maneuver areas and by increased harvest shipments.
8. In spite of heavier winter requirements, coal stocks decreased slightly and, on 15 October, amounted to 12.4 days' requirements. However, hard coal stocks rose to 57 percent of total coal stocks. There have been no indications that the plan of establishing a coal reserve of possibly 60 days' requirements is being carried out.

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9. Traffic through stations on the Oder-Neisse line continued at a normal rate. Special transportation operations under way included:
- The motor vehicle replacement program, which was started in February 1952. However, the shipments of new vehicles from the U.S.S.R. to Germany decreased.
 - Return of former German freight cars from the U.S.S.R. Between the end of June 1952, when the program started, and 30 September 1952, 2,600 cars had been returned.
 - The grain import program, which was resumed in mid-October 1952.
10. Railroad construction projects.
- The following construction projects were completed in early October:
 - The reconstruction of the second track on the NICHENDORF-ROSSBEELEN railroad line. The entire Suedring BERLIN, which extends from NICHENDORF to GRUENAU via GROSSBEELEN and FAHLDO, can now be operated double track.
 - The reconstruction of the single-track BUELTOW-SCHWAAH line, which is an additional feeder line to the important sea ports of ROSTOCK and WARNEMUENDE.
 - The reconstruction of the second track on the FALKENBERG-FINSTERWALDE line, a section of the important GUBEN-COTTBUS-LEIPZIG east-west route.
 - The KAROW-MIRKENBERGER sector of the Nordring BERLIN project could not be completed by 5 October as scheduled, because of subsoil water conditions and a shortage of construction materials. It is expected that single-track operations on the line, the embankment of which was built for two tracks, will be opened in the first half of November. According to a ministerial decree, the line between MIRKENBERGER and FALKENSEE via NICHENDORF, which is the northwestern extension of the Nordring BERLIN, will be built in 1952 and not, as originally scheduled, in 1953. The staking off of this so-called Nordwestring was started in early October.
 - Work on the following railroad construction projects was started in late September/early October:
 - Reconstruction of the single-track branch line from GRANSEE to KÖNIGSTADT via SCHULZENDORF with a view to providing a railroad connection to the Volkspolizei (VP) ammunition dump at TOLPERUN.
 - Construction of a spur track leading from DEWINKEL on the GUESTROW-FALENDORF railroad line to the VP ammunition dump at GUESTROW/PRIEMERWALD.
 - Construction of a spur track from VOGELSANG on the LOEWENBERG-TEPLIN railroad line toward BEBERSSEE, in order to provide a railroad connection to the new SCHORFHEIDE airfield.
 - Construction of a spur track from SAGARD on Ruegen Island toward RORBIN-GLOHE. For the time being, the line will be used for the shipment of construction materials, but later it will serve the naval base under construction on Jasmunder Rodden.
11. Miscellaneous railroad information.
- A state reserve of 729 empty railroad tank cars, which is to be increased to 800 cars, was established in East Germany. This reserve amounts to approximately 30 percent of the total park of railroad tank cars suitable for the shipment of white products.

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- b. The deterioration in the physical status of the permanent way is reflected in a growing number of rail breakages. [redacted]
the following numbers of rail breakages occurred from 1946 to 1951:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Rail Breakages</u>
1946	319
1947	420
1948	600
1949	857
1950	1,156
1951	2,056

Supply.

12. The rate of military supply shipments dispatched from the U.S.S.R. to East Germany decreased in September and, as far as could be determined, also decreased in the first half of October. In September, 1,940 railroad cars arrived as against 2,940 cars in August. However, this volume of rail traffic was still considerably above the average level of 1,000 railroad cars per month. New vehicles sent from the U.S.S.R. to East Germany still represented a sizable percentage of this supply traffic. During the period from mid-February, when this operation was started, to 16 October, a total of 10,950 new vehicles arrived in East Germany, while 8,779 deactivated vehicles were returned to the U.S.S.R. In September, 1,083 new vehicles were sent to East Germany. After late September, the rate of these shipments decreased. However, it has not been determined when the vehicle replacement program will be completed.
- In mid-September, rail shipments of weapons and equipment for the VP in eastern Mecklenburg, which were very heavy in August and the first half of September, discontinued.
- In September, ammunition shipments were at a conspicuously low level of only 49 carloads. Ammunition depots are believed to be so well stocked that conserved ammunition need not be replaced immediately.

General Information on Supply Installations.

13. a. The fuel depot of the Fourth Gds Recz Army at the Eisenspalterei, [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] in EBERSFELDE, was taken over by the air force as a fuel depot
for the northern fighter corps, Unit [redacted] on 1 September. 25X1
- b. In September 1952, the new fuel depot of the Fourth Gds Recz Army in
EISENTHAL, [redacted] was filled to capacity. It contained a total of
1,000 cubic meters of fuel.
- c. The former army ammunition factory in GUESTROW-PRIMMERALD was turned over
to the VP as an ammunition depot, and it has received an increasing amount
of ammunition.

German Volkspolizei.14. Armeegruppe Nord.

Deviating from a previous assumption, only three divisions and army troops instead of four, each consisting of about 15,000 men, were organized from the about 50,000 men who were concentrated in the activation areas and received arms from the U.S.S.R. One division was stationed in the area of RÜGIA on Rügen Island, one in the area of EGGENIN and one in the area of PRÄMILAU-TOGELIN-PIEDN. As the kasernierte VP (KVP) is subject to a large number of organizational changes, it cannot be determined whether these three divisions

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was attached to the units for the execution of the winter training. It has been confirmed that the headquarters of the Armeegruppe Nord is in PASSENAU.

15. Other areas.

No definite information is available on the deactivation of a number of cadre divisions except for the KVPD JUDOLPHING which was confirmed as deactivated. The cadre divisions in FRANKENBERG, LEINZIG II, JOCHAU and ZITTAU were so reduced by detachment of personnel that they will probably be disbanded. The T/E of the KVPD BRANDENBURG-NORDSTETTEN, however, was completed with tanks and guns in mid-October and an apparently new unit of the KVP, located in NIEDERBACH, was observed in the area south of CHEMNITZ. It is undetermined whether these occurrences are linked with activation of additional army groups.

16. Miscellaneous.

An indication of the progressing sovietization and militarization of the KVP was the introduction of new uniforms and military ranks. The transfer to the KVP of personnel of young year classes from the NVDVP and further recruiting campaigns were to fill up the military units without requiring a ULT law. Preparations for the establishment of an intensive recruiting and replacement program made further progress. The appointment of Vincenz Kueller and of the chiefs of the military branches of the VP as Deputy ministers of the interior confirms the existence of the Ministry of National Forces which is being established under the cover of the Ministry of the Interior.

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17. Units confirmed

the 106th Gds Hvy Tank SP Regt, [REDACTED], in KACHAN until 27 June; 25X1
the 344th Gds Hvy Arty Regt, [REDACTED] in ALIENSTADT until 24 May; 25X1
the Hq 95th Gds Htz Rifle Div, [REDACTED] in ST POULSEN until 28 May; 25X1
the 44th Gds Hecz Regt, [REDACTED] in VIENNA until 5 August; 25X1
the 233d Gds Gun Arty Regt, [REDACTED] in MELK, until 22 July; 25X1
the 1064th AAA Regt, [REDACTED] in KORNBERG, until 10 July; and
the 150th Gds Tank SP Regt, [REDACTED] in ST POULSEN until 30 April. 25X1

Exchange of Personnel.

18. Individual transportation reports during the period from 5 to 7 October indicated that recruits arrived in East Austria and discharges were sent to the U.S.S.R.

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Present Location of Divisions and Independent UnitsIn East Germany

(Last date of confirmation in parentheses)

<u>Group or Army</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>
30PG	6th Arty Div	22 to 28 September, elements participating in fall maneuvers of the Third Shock Army in LETZLING HEATH; 11 to 15 October, with the 18th How Arty Brig (US) and the 124th Tn How Arty Brig (US) participating in fall maneuvers of the Eighth Gds Army in the DESSAU area; the division was at the posts about 22 October; beginning 23 October, the 18th How Arty Brig (US) was transferred, possibly to ALTENHAGEN.
	34th Arty Div (US)	11 to 15 October, elements participating in the fall maneuver of the Eighth Gds Army in the DESSAU area; at the post after 22 October.
	4th AT Arty Brig (US)	in the eastern part of Ruegen Island (October).
	25th AB Brig	22 to 28 September, participating in the fall maneuver of the Third Shock Army in LETZLING HEATH and, from 11 to 15 October, in the fall maneuver of the Eighth Gds Army in the DESSAU area; brigade possibly transferred from PRUNITS to the Kraftfahrer Kaserne in RATHENOW, after 20 October.
	2d Gds AAA Div	at the posts (mid-October).
	6th Gds AAA Div (US)	at the posts (mid-October).
	32d AAA Div (US)	at the posts (mid-October).
	9/1 Engr Regt	participating in the fall maneuver of the Eighth Gds Army from 11 to 15 October.
	36th Pon Bridge Regt	participating in the fall maneuver of the Eighth Gds Army from 11 to 15 October; at the post after 21 October.
Eighth Gds Army		All units left the troop training grounds during the period from 29 September to 10 October. Those leaving prior to 4 October went to the military posts, while most of those which departed during the period from 5 to 10 October left for the fall maneuvers of the army in the DESSAU area by either rail or road. Elements of the 380th Engr Bn of the XVIII Gds Itz Rifle Corps in TEMPLIN which had moved there in June 1952 joined the units involved in the maneuver. All units had returned to their posts in the army area by about 23 October after the end of the maneuver. The elements of the 380th

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Major units were probably transported back to the area of TETTELING. Small-scale exercises were probably conducted in the army area in late October. These are believed to have involved units of the 39th Gds Rtz Rifle Div in PLAUEN, the 57th Gds Rtz Rifle Div in BOMMA, the 20th Gds Meez Div in MUELLER and the 38th Army AT Arty Brig in MUELLERBURG.

Third Shock
Army

Most of the units of this army participated in the fall maneuver in and east of TETTELING HEATH which was conducted during the period from 22 to 28 September by the army. The elements involved were believed back at their posts after 4 October. Units returning from the BITTKAU troop training grounds during the period from 6 to 14 October included:

the unidentified engineer battalion of the 11 Rtz Rifle Corps in SCHNEIDEN, on 2 trains;

an unidentified unit in MUELLERBURG, on 2 trains;

and elements of the unidentified engineer battalion of the 19th Gds Meez Div in MUELLERBURG, on 1 train.

Elements of the 19th Gds Meez Div were possibly transferred to MUELLERBURG-QUARTER in early October.

Second Gds
Meez Army

Hq units

probably at the posts.

2th Gds Tank Div

elements presumably participating in field exercises in the KEMTLE area in late September (26 and 27 September, return shipments to TETTELINGBURG)

12th Gds Tank Div

elements presumably participating in exercises in the area southwest of TETTELINGBURG in late September.

1st Meez Div

6 to 9 October, mortar unit in the TETTELINGBURG area and, from 20 to 30 October, tank unit in the MUELLERBURG area.

Third Gds
Meez Army

Hq units

elements participated in exercises of the 7th Gds Tank Div in the TETTELINGBURG-QUARTER area from 17 to 21 September.

11th Gds Meez Div

at the post (October).

6th Gds Tank Div

1 to 6 October, transfer of the division to the post.

7th Gds Tank Div

elements participating in exercises in the TETTELINGBURG-QUARTER area from 17 to 21 September; 21 to 24 September, transfer to ROSSLAU and TETTELINGBURG from the TETTELINGBURG-QUARTER training area on 10 trains and from TETTELING HEATH on 13 trains.

2th Meez Div

possibly a joint exercise of units of the division in the area of the TETTELING HEATH

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Fourth Gds

sq units

troop training grounds and east of it on 4 and 5 October; return to the posts between 4 October and mid-October. In the second half of October, individual firing practices with live ammunition by tank and artillery units at TILICHABSK.

elements participating in the exercise of the 25th Tank Div in the area south and east of RATHENOW from 4 to 7 October.

11th (?) Gds
AT Arty Brig

transfer to Army Clothing Depot 1 in BERGOW from TILICHABSK from 20 to 24 October.

6th Gds Mecz
Div

at the posts (October).

7th Gds Mecz
Div

8 to 10 October, elements engaged in exercises in the area south of FUCHSENWALDE. The division returning to the posts from TILICHABSK after 10 October.

25th Tank Div

the bulk of the division engaged in exercises in the area south and east of RATHENOW from 5 to 9 October; after the end of the exercises, return to the posts of BRANLENBURG and TILICHABSK.

10th Gds Tank
Div

elements engaged in exercises of other army units in the RATHENOW area from about 20 to 25 September, the bulk of the division presumably at the posts after mid-October.

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